WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. Iron powder adapted to remediate selected media by dehalogenating halogenated hydrocarbons in the media comprising:

iron powder particles; and

an inorganic compound having an electric resistivity of about 1 x $10^4 \,\Omega$ ·m or less on at least a portion of the surfaces of the iron powder particles.

- 2. The iron powder according to Claim 1, wherein the inorganic compound comprises at least one metal element selected from the group consisting of Ca, Ti, V, and Cr.
- 3. The iron powder according to Claim 1, wherein the inorganic compound comprises at least one compound selected from the group consisting of nitrides, oxides, sulfides, and carbides.
- 4. The iron powder according to Claim 1, wherein the organic compound is selected from the group consisting of CaCrO₃, TiO, Ti₂O₃, Ti₃O₅, TiN, TiS, TiC, VO, V₂O₃ and CrO₂.
- 5. A method for remediating selected media contaminated with halogenated hydrocarbons comprising:

contacting iron powder particles and an inorganic compound having an electric resistivity of about 1 x $10^4~\Omega$ ·m or less on at least a portion of the surfaces of the iron powder particles with the halogenated hydrocarbons; and

causing dehalogenation of the halogenated hydrocarbons to thereby remediate the

media.

- 6. The method according to Claim 5, wherein the inorganic compound comprises at least one metal element selected from the group consisting of Ca, Ti, V, and Cr.
- 7. The method according to Claim 5, wherein the inorganic compound comprises at least one selected from the group consisting of nitrides, oxides, sulfides, and carbides.
- 8. The method according to Claim 5, wherein the media is selected from the group consisting of soil, water and gas.
- 9. The method according to Claim 5, wherein the halogenated hydrocarbons are selected from the group consisting of methyl chloride, dichloromethane, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride, 1,1-dichloroethane, methyl chloroform, 1,1,1-trichloroethane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, 1,1,2-tetrachloroethane, 1,1,2-tetrachloroethane, 1,1,2-tetrachloroethane, 1,1-dichloroethylene, cis-1,2-dichloroethylene, trans-1,2-dichloroethylene, trichloroethylene (TCE), tetrachloroethylene (PCE), 1,2-dichloropropane, 1,3-dichloropropene, methyl bromide, 2-bromopropane, 1,3-dibromopropane, 1,4-dibromobutane, and allyl bromide.
- 10. The method according to Claim 5, wherein the iron powder is added into media contaminated with the halogenated hydrocarbons.